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General Counsel

1. Mr. Rhotts, representing ADT, presents the question whether CIA among other Government agencies, particularly AEC, would:

a. Be willing to give factual information concerning the protective service furnished by ADT, or

b. Is for its own purposes interested in the outcome of the present hearing before the Trial Examiner of the NLRB.

2. The immediate case in point arises out of a complaint by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers lodged with the NLRB that ADT will not recognize them as the bargaining unit for certain employees of ADT. ADT responds with the theory that from the nature of their service all employees in varying capacities and degrees fall in the category of guards within the meaning of the Taft-Hartley Act, which forbids representation by the same unit of guard forces as opposed to normal employees. Aside from security aspects, our policy in this regard should probably be coordinated with that of AEC.

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